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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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First Named Inventor: Ramaz KATSARAVA et al.

Title: POLYMER BLENDS AS BIODEGRADABLE MATRICES FOR PREPARING  
BIOCOMPOSITES

TO: BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Attached are the following for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (original and duplicate)
2. ☒ Specification - Total Pages: 20 (Including Abstract)

CLAIMS AS FILED						
	Claims Filed	Basic Fee Claims	Extra	Rate		Amount
				Large Entity	Small Entity	
Total Claims		20	0	\$ 18.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims		3	0	\$ 80.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims				\$ 270.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 0.00
BASIC FEE				\$ 710.00	\$ 355.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE						\$ 0.00

3. ☒ Drawings - Total Sheets: 1 (Fig(s). 1)
4. Oath or Declaration - Total Pages: 3
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- ☒ New (unexecuted)
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)

- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(s):**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in prior application.

5. ☐ **Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is marked)**  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. ☐ **Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)**

7. ☐ **Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)**

- a. ☐ **Computer Readable Copy**  
b. ☐ **Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)**  
c. ☐ **Statement verifying identity of above copies**

8. ☐ **Assignment and Assignment Recordation Form**

9. ☐ **37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) Statement** ☐ **Power of Attorney**

10. ☐ **English Translation Document (if applicable)**

11. ☐ **Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449 and References**

- ☐ **Copies of Information Disclosure Statement Citations**

12. ☐ **Preliminary Amendment**

13. ☒ **Return Receipt Postcard**

14. ☐ **Small Entity Status Claimed:** ☐ **Independent Inventor**  
☐ **Small Business Concern**  
☐ **Non-Profit Organization**

- ☐ **Statement Enclosed**

- ☐ **Statement Filed in Prior Application; Status Still Proper and Desired**

15. ☐ **Foreign Priority is Claimed as Follows:**

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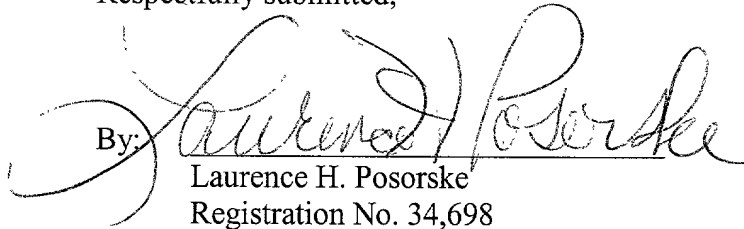


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- ☐ **If Foreign Priority is Claimed, Certified Copy of the Above Priority Document(s) is Submitted Herewith**

16. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
17. ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-Part of  
Prior Application No.: \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Complete Application Based on Provisional Application No.: 60/175,377  
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